POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Minutes

Regular Meeting February 26, 2015 Starting at 5:30 p.m. 350 Fifth Street, Room 241, Minneapolis, MN 55407

Committee members Present: Adriana Cerrillo, Jennifer Singleton (Chair), and Laura Westphal (quorum 2).

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Leda Schuster, Commission Clerk.

Chair Singleton called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. A quorum of the Commission was present.

Westphal moved to adopt meeting agenda.

No discussion. All-in-favor. None opposed.

The motion carried.

New Business

Overview of Committee Procedures

Chair Singleton addressed the Committee; the following are the main points from the update:

- Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.
- Please email agenda items to Leda Schuster one week before the meeting.
- Actionable items need passage with the full commission.
- This is the forum to work out details in a more informal setting; once a plan is solidified we go back to the full commission.

With no further discussion on the matter, Chair Singleton moved to the next item on the agenda.

Committee Goals and Priorities and Community Partnerships

The following are the main points from the discussion:

- There is a strategic plan in place for the Committees goals and priorities.
- Community connections and working cooperation's with churches,

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organizations, community groups, ethnic communities, and those in the area are critical to the Committee.

- Commissioner Cerrillo contacted Navigate to begin developing connection with the organization.
- The development of a "know your rights" campaign involving police stops, filing complaints, and what to do when boundaries are crossed.
- Developing relationships and contact with MPD officers to begin a dialogue between the two groups.
- Outreach to youth organizations and high schools.
- Make contact the Chief's Citizen Advisory Council.
- Development of a resource or contact list.

With no further discussion on the matter, the Chair moved to the next item on the agenda.

Community Connections Conference – March 21, 2015

Commission Clerk Leda Schuster addressed the Committee; the following are the main points from her presentation:

- This is the second year for the Community Connections Conference.
- The conference provides a way for the City to connect with different communities.
- In the past it was presented as a conference, but this year the format will use exhibitors to provide a one-on-one interactive setting.
- The OPCR will provide a set-up for the PCOC to discuss the complaint process; may use laptops for the public to go online.
- Could provide a good learning experience for the new Commissioners with regard to making contact with the public.

With the conclusion of the presentation from Ms. Schuster, the Chair opened the floor for discussion. The following is a list of speakers during the discussion and an abstract of the points presented:

Cerrillo – clarified how long this event has been presented; commits to contacting other Commissioners and indicates that she will consult her calendar and advise accordingly.

Westphal – indicated that she will be in town for the event.

Singleton – indicated that the next meeting would be a week before the event; suggests bringing outreach items, such as bracelets and bookmarks, to give to the public and asks that the Committee members come up ideas on how to operate the booth to develop a motion for the next Commission meeting.

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Public Comment

With no members of the present, Chair Singleton closed the floor and moved to the next item of the agenda.

Adjournment

With all of the Committee's business being concluded, the Chair entertained a motion:

Westphal moved to adjourn.

All in favor. None opposed.

The motion carried.

Chair Singleton adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.